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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Public Works Department, 5th July 1873.

Read the following papers :—

No. 86. From Major R. F. OAKES, R.E., District Engineer, Tanjore, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Camp at Korayaur Head, 10th June 1873, No. 250.

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2. The bungalow has been in my possession since March 1859, when I purchased it from the late Captain Ryves. It was originally built by Sir A. Cotton, and was purchased by and added to by the Officers noted in the margin in succession.

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7. Under G. O., No. 312, dated 5th March 1870, it will be observed that the head of the Srirungham Island, which separates the Cauvery from the Coleroon, is at the disposal of the Department Public Works, and is not in any way interfered with by the Revenue Department; hence, if Government are not willing to purchase the building and out-houses for Rupees 1,500, I beg that they will place me in formal possession of the compound shown in the enclosed plan, granting me a perpetual lease, and will authorize me to sell the house, etc., which I shall have no difficulty whatever in doing.

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8. I enclose an original letter from Captain Foord, R.E., to Captain Palmer, stating the terms on which the former purposed to grant a perpetual lease of the ground, and to observe that the lease of the ground might be granted on some such terms to prevent any private individual, who may become the proprietor of the building, from in any way interfering with the repair of the banks or the safety of the head of the island or of the adjacent works; situated, however, as the building and garden are, the property should not, in my opinion, be allowed to pass into the hands of a private individual.

9. I may observe that a rest-house at the Upper Anicut is now more than ever required, as the Districts of Tanjore and Trichinopoly no longer form a single charge, and the Upper Anicut is from twenty-one to twenty-five miles from the western limit of the Tanjore District.

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1 Enclosure (valuation estimate.)

1 Plan. To be returned.

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From Captain E. A. FOORD, R.E., Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to Captain W. C. PALMER, Staff Corps, dated Camp at Trichinopoly, 30th October 1863.

I HAVE the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of this day's date, and to inform you that I agree to make over to you, on perpetual lease, the compound of the Upper Anicut bungalow shown in the accompanying Survey, from this date, on the following terms:—

1st—That the rent to be paid be 12 Rupees a year.

2nd.—That unless circumstances should render it necessary to make use of any of the land for Government purposes, it will be understood that the lease will be perpetual.

3rd.—That no alteration in the boundaries of the compound will be made except with the sanction of the Superintending Engineer or other chief local officer of the department, upon the application of the Range Officer for the time.

4th.—That the owner of the house shall have the power to remove or make use of any or all of the common trees at present upon the ground, but that the fine casuarinas, flambogants, cork, and similar trees, which have been planted by various District Officers in the neighbourhood of the bungalow, shall not be removed without the concurrence of the Range Officer. This prohibition will not affect the trimming of those trees from time to time to such an extent as may be necessary for the comfort and convenience of the owner of the house.

5th.—That the owner shall have a claim to request the Range Officer to keep the plantations to the west of and around the bungalow, but beyond the limits of its compound, in such a condition as, on the one hand, not to shut out from the bungalow the views of the rivers, hills, etc., and, on the other, not to prevent the free circulation of the air.

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No. 86A. From Major J. O. HASTED, R.E., Officiating Superintending Engineer, 6th Division, to Colonel G. W. WALKER, R.E., Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, dated Tanjore, 31st August 1872, No. 398.

One Estimate.

I HAVE the honour to forward herewith a valuation estimate of the bungalow at the Upper Anicut, the property of Major Oakes, R.E., which has for some time past been given up to the use of officers of this department and as a store-shed, now for sale, and to recommend that it should be purchased by Government.

2. The bungalow stands on Government land, close to the head of the Srirungham Island, in such a position that it should not, I think, be made over to any private individual. The net value of the building is now Rupees 2,324-11-0, and Major Oakes is willing to part with it for Rupees 1,500.

3. It is very necessary that there should be some building at the Upper Anicut available for officers of this Department, who very frequently have to visit the work and can run up to it by rail without carrying tents, and I would bring to notice that while the Godavery and Kistna Deltas have been provided with rest-houses throughout, this delta has none except some plank sheds of a very inferior description, and a few of the old public bungalows which belong to the roads. It it also necessary that there should be some building in which to store the planks when not in use and the tools, etc., belonging to the work, and if this bungalow is not purchased a building must be constructed specially as plank and store-shed.

4. A sum of Rupees 253 is required to put the bungalow and out-houses into thorough repair; this sum has not been included in the net value of the building, Rupees 2,324-11-0, and should be added to the sum required by Major Oakes for the bungalow in its present state, making the total cost of the buildings Rs. 1,753.

No. 86B. *Note by the Chief Engineer for Irrigation.*

THE bungalow at the Upper Anicut on the Coleroon is so situated as to make it undesirable that it should become the private property of any one unconnected with the anicut and head works. It will be useful as an inspection and store bungalow, a purpose to which it has been very frequently turned during many years by the Government Officers of Trichinopoly and Tanjore through the liberality of Major Oakes and other officers who have owned it. The price, Rupees 1,500, asked by Major Oakes, is very moderate, and I beg to recommend its purchase.

OOTACAMUND, 18*th June* 1873.

(Signed) J. MULLINS, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Chief Engineer for Irrigation.

No. 87. ORDER THEREON, 5th July 1873, No. 1,736.

CIVIL WORKS, No. 7.

THE Government sanction the purchase of the bungalow at the Upper Anicut on the Coleroon for the sum of Rupees 1,500, the price asked for it by Major Oakes, and it will be brought on the

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list of public buildings as an inspection and store bungalow of the Public Works Department. The purchase money will be provided from the Reserve under Agricultural.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) J. MULLINS, Lieut.-Colonel, R.E.,
Joint Secretary to Government.

To the District Engineer, Tanjore.
,, Controller of Public Works Accounts.
Chief Engr. for Irrn.

Valuation Estimate of the Bungalow and out houses at the Upper Anicut the property of Major Oakes R.E.

Name of Building	original cost of Building			Cost of repairs required			Gross value of Building			Date of Construction	Amount to be deducted for wear & tear of materials at 3/4 per cent per annum			Net value of Building			Remarks
Bungalow	2500	"	"	540	"	"	1960	"	"	1842	441	"	"	1519	"	"	Of this sum Rupees 400 has been expended this year, balance Rupees 253 is required for expenditure.
Cook room	450	"	"	85	"	"	365	"	"	1842	82	2	"	282	14	"	
Stable	100	"	"	23	"	"	77	"	"	1868	2	5	"	74	11	"	
Well	55	"	"	5	"	"	50	"	"	1842	at 1/8 per cent 1	14	"	48	2	"	
	3105	"	"	653	"	"	2452	"	"	"	527	5	"	1924	11	"	

Add amount spent on the Bungalow in this year — 400 " "

Total Net value of Building — 2324 11 "

Supg. Engineer's Office 6 Divn.
Tanjore 31st August 1872.

[illegible] Major R.E.

Offg. Superintg. Engineer 6 Divn.

Enclosure in a letter from the Offg Supdg Engr 6' Division to the Secretary to Government P.W.D. No. 398, dated 31st August 1872.

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Valuation Estimate of the Bungalow and out houses at the Upper Anicut the property of Major Oakes R.E.

No. 398. Supg Engs Office 6th Division
Tanjore — 31st August 1872.

No. 4

From,

Major. J. O. Hasted. R.E.
Offg Supg Engineer 6th Dn

To,

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I have the honor to be
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Your most Obedt Servt
J. W. Astell Major R.E.
Offg Supg Engineers C. Dn

From,

The Offg Supg Engr

Sixth Division

To,

The Secretary to

Govt D.P.W.

No 398

Joint Secretary

Dated 31st } Augt 72.
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P.W. ~~3414~~ 3675/73.

Requests that the Bungalow at the Upper Anicut the property of Major Oakes R.E. may be purchased by Govt for the use of the Department.—

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Supg. Engineer's Office 6th Divn
Camp Trichinopoly
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E A Wood Captain R.E.
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No. 250

District Engineer's Office
Camp Korayaur Head
10th June 1873

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Your most obedient Servant

[illegible] Major RE
District Engineer

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The Distt Engineer
Tanjore
To The Secretary to Govt
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Dated 10
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[signature] Lt Col R.E.
Chief Engr for Irrigation

To The Secretary to Govt P.W.D.

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The Chief Engr for
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PUBLIC WORKS.

To The District Engr.
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Bungalow at the Upper Anicut on the Coleroon. The purchase of the Bungalow, sanctioned with remarks.

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